

CHAPTER NO. 102

HOUSE BILL NO. 2049

By Representative Lewis

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2070

By Senator Burks

AN ACT to repeal Chapter 376 of the Private Acts of 1953 and Chapter 32 of the Private Acts of 1983, and all acts amendatory thereto, and to provide for two judges for the General Sessions Court in Coffee County and their jurisdiction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 376 of the Private Acts of 1953 and Chapter 32 of the Private Acts of 1983 and all acts amendatory thereto, are hereby repealed effective September 1, 1998.

SECTION 2. Beginning on September 1, 1998, there shall be two (2) full-time judges for the General Sessions Court of Coffee County. Each judge shall have the same jurisdiction, consisting of all civil and criminal jurisdiction prescribed by general law for judges of general sessions courts, and jurisdiction over juvenile and domestic relations proceedings, including divorce jurisdiction. Each judge shall be elected in the regular August elections in 1998, and every eight (8) years thereafter. Each judge's qualifications, compensation, and all other matters shall be governed by general law.

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Coffee County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body of Coffee County and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 3.

PASSED: January 26, 1998


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6th day of February 1998


DON SUNDQUIST GOVERNOR